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THE BIRTH OF A BONANZA.

Professor Gunning's Second Lecture on the Comstock Lode.

Professor W. D. Gunning delivered a lecture last evening in Dashaway Hall, on "Gold and Silver making, from Studies on the Comstock." A large audience was in attendance, and evidently was much interested in the subject. The lecturer traced silver and gold from nebulous matter to the sea, and from thence to sediment and strata and veins. He described vein-making with force, and proceeded: We have seen enough of nature now to project our minds into that unquiet age, and make ourselves present at the miracle of creation in the Comstock. The fissure has opened, and immense blocks from the hanging wall of propylite are falling and wedging themselves in the rent. In after times they will be called "horses." Near by is an arm of a sea, and its water is percolating the rocks and siping down to the zone of heat. The drops siping through the rocks into the chasm form here an immense cauldron.

"And it bubbles and boils, and it hisses and roars,
As when fire is with water commixed and commingled,
And the foam of its wrath to the welkin upsoars,
And flood upon flood rushes on, never ending.
And it never does rest, nor from torment is free,
Like a sea that is laboring the birth of a sea."

It is laboring the birth of a bonanza. Heated water, under pressure, is a universal solvent. "The great globe itself and all that it inherits," if dropped into an infinite boiling sea would dissolve like the baseless fabric form of a dream. The heated waters and chlorine and fluorine are eating silica from the rocks through which they pass and bring it to the fissure. The uprushing current of steam and vapor relieved of pressure and a portion of heat, precipitate their freight in the form of jelly. The filling of a fissure begins atop, and the quartz is thrown down first as a jelly. Now the ascending currents of steam and vapor will tend to mount straight up, and when the fissure is partly closed atop they will mount up vertically through channels of their own making. This is what theory, based on a law of mechanics, says must occur wherever the fissure is not vertical. The Comstock is responsive to theory. At a distance of two miles from the fissure's mouth we find the porphyry decomposed by ascending currents of steam. Near the surface the ascending vapors cut a gash and filled it with quartz, and impregnated the quartz with silver and gold. If we suppose an open fissure near an active volcano and an arm of the sea, a fissure dipping eastward, and bounded deep down by marine strata impregnated with silver and gold, the Comstock Lode would follow as the harvest follows the sowing. It has nothing peculiar or exceptional. The bonanzas occur where theory would place them. The "nips" in the vein occur where, standing on the crest of Mount Davidson and looking down along the ridge of his eastern slope, you would say that the foot wall would advance toward the hanging wall. The ore chambers occur where, looking down along the sags of the eastern slope, you would say that the foot-wall must recede from the east wall, and form a wide chamber. The mechanics of a solfetara, through like rocks, act everywhere alike. The old Roman workings at Felsobanza show that the ore channel was found just as at the Comstock, and the bonanzas, in shape and position, were just as at the Comstock, in the Felsobanza the ore grew poor and finally, at no great depth, gave out. What will be the fate of the Comstock? The speaker showed that vapors and hot waters drop their metallic freight only when they have cooled to a certain degree, and when pressure is removed. Deep down, water and chlorine and fluorine are hot and under pressure. There is a depth at which they cannot precipitate their freight of gold and silver. Theory says that the metallic veins, the ores nearer the surface should be rich and concentrated in chimneys; at deeper levels, poor and diffused. The leading silver veins of the world were sketched, and with few exceptions found to corroborate the theory. The speaker said he had found it difficult to get the exact truth about the veins in Mexico, as he had found that men where large interests were at stake, except on the Pacific Coast of North America, would lie. Is the Comstock exceptional? He did not know of a silver lode so plastic as the Comstock, or of any lode which carries such evidence of displacement. The clay selvages and "slickensides" are evidence of a downsliding of the vein matter. Clay seams in the body of the vein are evidence of the slipping of one part of the vein on another. Ore bodies may have slipped down with levels where it would have been impossible for nature to have made them. The speaker had traced the metals of nebulous worldstuff into oceans, out of oceans into sediments, and out of strata into veins. In all these wanderings, he said, gold and silver have kept close companionship. Together they float through the sea. Together they wander on the current of heated subterranean rills. Together they lie, silver in the embrace of gold, in crystals of pyrite. It is as if silver had echoed the words of Ruth to Naomi and said to gold, "Entreat me not to leave thee or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest I will go, and where thou lodgest I will lodge, thy people shall be my people, where thou diest I will die and there will I be buried."

From Hon. W. H. Jones, of West Dover, Vt.

"I have been troubled from my boyhood with chronic or hereditary lung complaint. Some years since, early in the winter, I took cold, which as usual settled into a severe cough, which continued to increase as the season advanced, although I made use of all the cough remedies I had knowledge of. My family physician also prescribed for me, but I felt no relief. During all this time I was gradually running down, losing flesh and strength, until my friends as well as myself, became very much alarmed, thinking I should waste away in consumption. While in Boston, during the spring following, I was induced to try WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY. After one day's trial I was sensible that it was relieving me; in ten days time my cough had entirely ceased, and I was soon restored to my health and strength. I have ever since kept the BALSAM in my house, and whenever any member of my family has a cough or cold, it is immediately resorted to. No family should be without it." Sold by all druggists.

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It is the duty of every person who has used Boschee's German Syrup to let its wonderful qualities be known to their friends in curing Consumption, severe Coughs, Croup, Asthma, Pneumonia, and in fact all throat and lung diseases. No person can use it without immediate relief. Three doses will relieve any case, and we consider it the duty of all Druggists to recommend to the poor dying consumptive, at least to try one bottle, as 40,000 dozen bottles were sold last year, and no one case where it failed was reported. Such a medicine as the German Syrup cannot be too widely known. Ask your Druggist about it. Sample bottle to try sold at 10 cents. Regular size 75 cents.

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REMOVED.

A. GILMORE wishes to inform his friends and the public that he has removed to the Commission Store on Johnson street, where he will continue to sell at invoice prices.

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New Advertisements.

COLLEGIATE SCHOOL, Victoria.

THE MIDSUMMER TERM WILL COMMENCE on Monday the 13th May.
H. HERBERT MOGG,
my5 Principal.

HENRY C. WILSON,
GOVERNMENT ST., opp. Theatre Royal.

HAVING LEASED THE PREMISES FORMERLY occupied by Brown & White, I shall manufacture and keep on hand an assortment of

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Of Every Description.

Stoves, Kitchen Furniture and Hardware in Stock for Sale Low.

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A share of public patronage is respectfully solicited.
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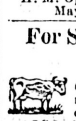
N. B.—The Ward Room Mess are not in any way responsible for any debts that I may contract.
JOHN GREEN, Messman.
H. M. Opal, Esquimalt,
May 4th, 1878, my5 1m

For Sale at a Bargain For Cash.



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On Wednesday, May 8th,
AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.
We will sell on the premises,
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ALSO—Counters, shelving, gasfittings, coffeemill and roaster, barrels, boxes and a quantity of Groceries, etc.
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J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
my5 Auctioneers.

[L.S.] A. N. RICHARDS.
CANADA.
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.
To all to whom these presents shall come—GREETING
A PROCLAMATION.
A. C. ELLIOTT, Attorney-General. } KNOW YE, that by virtue of the authority contained in the "Qualification and Registration of Voters' Act, 1876," the Lieutenant-Governor in Council declares that an additional Polling Place shall be established at Mr. Todd's, Mayne Island, in the Electoral District of Cowichan.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed. Witness the Honorable ALBERT NORTON RICHARDS Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and in the forty-first year of Our Reign.
By Command,
A. C. ELLIOTT,
Provincial Secretary. my5dw

Just Received.

Butterick Reliable Spring Fashions
SOLD AT SAN FRANCISCO AND NEW York prices by MRS. JAMIESON,
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New Advertisements.

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Straw Hats—Newest shapes, in Ladies' and Children's Sailor's Hats, &c.
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Wanted.
A MAN AND WIFE WISH EMPLOYMENT. The woman is a good cook, washer and ironer. Man understands horses and gardening or hotel work. Enquire at This Office. ap19

Wanted
A MIDDLE-AGED, EXPERIENCED SICK NURSE wishes a situation as nurse or house work. Is lately from California. Please leave address at COLONIST OFFICE. ap14

Wanted.
A FIRST-CLASS DRESSMAKER—Apply to
MRS. M. ADAMS & LUXFORD,
ap7 Douglas street.

Municipal Court of Revision.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN adjourned sitting of the Court of Revision to hear appeals against the Municipal Assessment Roll, 1878, will be held on Wednesday next the 8th day of May inst., at 2 o'clock p.m. Any person or persons desirous of appealing against the said Roll must send in notice to that effect at the Clerk's office. Appellants are required to appear in person.
WM. LEIGH, C. C. R.
Victoria, May 2d, 1878. my2

NOTICE TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT my office on Saturday the Eleventh day of May, at noon, for the erection and completion of a Villa Residence to be situated on the Northeast corner of Birdcage Walk and Superior street.
Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
JOHN TEAGUE,
my2 Architect, Government street.

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THE FOLLOWING RATES WILL BE PAID by the undersigned for Hides in good order:
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GIROFLE-GIROFLA.

ADMISSION $1; Pit, 50 cents.
Reserved Seats at Redfern's Jewelry Store without extra charge.
ap30 W. A. EDWARDS, Agent.

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Orders for Shares should be accompanied with Drafts or Telegraphic Transfers and addressed to the undersigned.
By order of the Directors.
GEO. A. BARGISON, Secty.
Victoria, B. C., April 22, 1878. ap23dw

REQUISITION.

VICTORIA, 2rd May, 1878.
To Messrs. A. J. Langley, J. S. Helmcken, George Jaques, L. Goodacre, S. L. Kelly, and others.
GENTLEMEN:—I am in receipt of the requisition so numerously signed by the electors of the City calling on me to come forward as one of the candidates to represent it at the coming election.
In reply, I beg to inform you that I have complied your wish, and for nomination on the day appointed.
I am, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,
ROD'K. FINLAYSON.

To the Electors of Victoria City.
GENTLEMEN:—Having received a numerously signed requisition from many of you to come forward as a candidate for your suffrages at the coming election, I do so at this juncture believing that the interests involved are such that I can rely on a hearty support from all who desire to see a system of retrenchment introduced in the public service.
For many years our expenditure has been continually in excess of our income, and unless speedy steps are taken to introduce economies, the result will be taxation of such a character as will tend to burthen the resources of the Province.
I shall earnestly press upon the Government the absolute necessity of bringing the unsettled questions of Railway and Drydock to a practical issue, in accordance with our agreement with the Imperial and Canadian Governments.
I shall support any measure that will relieve those municipalities already paying a land and property tax from the additional responsibility of Provincial taxation.
In my opinion the present Constitution requires alteration in order that, by redistribution of seats and a change in the number of members, those portions of the Province now unrepresented may have a proper voice in the conduct of public affairs.
I hope to see the Public Schools of this Province increase in usefulness, and shall support any measure which will tend in that direction.
In conclusion, Gentlemen, if you do me the honor to return me as one of your representatives, you may feel assured that I shall zealously guard your interests to the best of my ability and shall give to the Government that will endeavor to carry out such measures an independent support.
I am, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient servant,
my3 ROD'K. FINLAYSON.

Bank of British North America.
THE AGENCY OF THE BANK OF BRITISH North America in Cariboo will be transferred from Stanley to Barkerville, about the 15th May next. ap24dw1m

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PROGRESS.

The progress made by the Province during the past two years must be most gratifying to every true British Columbian. The country to-day is in a condition of prosperity to which it has long been a stranger. That, alone, is most satisfactory; but when it is contemplated that at no remote date our existing prosperity will be materially increased, the future assumes even fairer proportions than the present. We well remember that some three years since the people were in a most despondent state of mind; they were in a quandary; they could not clearly see how to extricate themselves from difficulties imposed upon them by misgovernment; they had doubts as to the future of the Province and not a few believed that many of the best years of their lives had been wasted in a futile attempt to gain desirable ends. But relief came to them just in the nick of time. The corrupt government that had depressed every industry of the Province was defeated and from that moment the country took a new lease of life and the fears and doubts of the people were removed and set at rest. The most casual observer can testify to the vast change the Province has undergone since the defeat of the Walkem Government. During their administration real estate touched bottom; now it is steadily rising from month to month; during their dark reign the stock raisers of the Mainland were unable to obtain a market for their cattle; now scarcely a steamer arrives from the valley of the Fraser without bringing down bands of fine beeves for city consumption, and cattle that three years ago with difficulty brought a merely nominal figure per head, or could not be sold at all, are now disposed of at remunerative rates to the people of Cariboo and the upper country. In Mr. Walkem's days that far famed gold district—Cariboo—gradually, but surely, depreciated, until fears were generally entertained as to its future. No assistance was given the hardy miners who had passed through the dangers and vicissitudes of pioneer days; no effort was made to revive the district to her pristine glory. Cariboo was permitted by a policy of sluggish indifference, combined with selfish recklessness, to sink into a condition from which the most sanguine feared she could never emerge. But relief came to her aid. In due course her oppressors, we have said, were vanquished and in their stead came honest and able men. She was assisted and encouraged, until to-day, in marked contrast with her state two years since, she can proudly boast that no other district on the Pacific coast, if, indeed, on the face of the globe, has such a glorious prospect in view or can hope to realize such golden expectations. Leaving Cariboo and travelling down that splendid artery—the main trunk wagon road—which is now in better condition than ever—we find a much more cheering state of affairs than we could have reasonably expected. In the brief period of two years a complete transformation seems to have come over the interior districts, and instead of beholding disconsolate stock owners unable to find purchasers at any price, we see men full of confidence, driving their cattle to the various markets, obtaining reasonable prices for them and returning to their homes satisfied with their day's work. The farmers too till their land with pleasure; they know a ready market awaits the bounteous yield of their cereals, and no longer do they regard their seeds sown as so much money buried never to be recovered. Further down on the broad Fraser, various industries are flourishing and in a state of incessant activity. Principal among them are the salmon canneries and establishments for the preservation of other delicate fish with which the Fraser teems. The lumbering interest in New Westminster district is in a prosperous condition—so prosperous indeed that the United States Government have deemed it expedient to impose a protective tariff which will especially benefit our neighbor, Washington Territory. The agricultural interest in New Westminster district the garden of the Province—is also thriving; and the population of that locality has almost doubled within the past two years. Confiding in the policy of the present Government numbers of families have carved out for themselves substantial homes with the intention of making this "great and glorious province" the abiding place of their remaining years. At Chilliwhack and Sumass the dyking scheme, devised and inaugurated by the present Government, will reclaim many broad acres of fertile land and thus provide the means for producing grain both for home consumption and export—affording also available tracts of lands for a desirable class of settlers. On the Island the impress of progress is also plainly visible. At Cowichan an entensive saw mill is in the course of erection, and at Nanaimo fresh coal mines have very recently been opened. During the first three months of the present year Vancouver Island exported more coal to the San Francisco market than was received at that city from any other source. This surely is a sign of progress! Nanaimo coal at San Francisco was over 11,000 tons ahead of Mount Diablo coal within the brief space of three months! At Comox the agricultural interest is assuming an important phase, and combined with the *stimulus* given by other industries it will shortly render the district second to none in importance on the Island. Further north, Cassiar "pans out" her golden yield and affords employment for some 2,000 miners year after year, many of whom are loud in their praise for the interest evinced in their welfare by the present Government and are just as strong in their denunciation of the political party who have time and again deprived them of a voice in the Legislature and of other rights. In the city of Victoria it requires but a very cursory glance to discover on every side evidence of Progress. In many localities where two years since dilapidated buildings were falling into decay, stately brick structures now meet the eye. In every ward comely private residences have been erected, and at the present moment the number of business premises either in the course of construction or in contemplation is greater than has been known on any former occasion. We could continue to recount many other most unmistakable evidences of the progress that has recently attended the Province, but we think the few instances we have briefly alluded to are sufficient to point to the fact that a bright future is in store for British Columbia. The people here have much to be grateful for since the defeat of the oppressive Government with Mr. Walkem as its leader, and they will continue to enjoy the fruits of a wise policy if by their united efforts they sustain the Government that has assisted them in the hour of need and has successfully endeavored to protect their every interest. Let Progress be the watchword of all classes and do not suffer the nucleus of the country's welfare to be crushed by the intrigues of an unscrupulous political faction.

[From the Victoria Standard, August 20, 1875.]

$100 REWARD.

WAGON ROAD

FROM

VICTORIA TO COWICHAN.

THE GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA offer a Reward of $100 to any person who will within three months from date measure, distinctly stake out and blaze the best line for an

EIGHTEEN FOOT WAGON ROAD

Connecting Parson's Bridge, Esquimalt District, with the trunk road at Richardson's farm, on the Cowichan flats, with gradients not exceeding one foot in ten, and furnish the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to his satisfaction, with a sketch of the route and the necessary information for the preparation of specifications for the work required.

The information required is as follows, viz:—

1st. The total distance between the points above mentioned.

2nd. The lengths of the portions of the road that are soft or swampy, and require macadamizing;

3rd. The number, length and height of bridges.

4th. Character of the ground passed over and class of timber passed through;

5th. Quantity of cribbing and walling required on side hill--cuttings;

6th. A schedule showing the number of the stakes and the class of work required between them, bridging, macadomizing, cribbing or walling as the case may be;

7th. The distance and positions of witness trees from stakes. Provided that the proposed line shall not be either one of the several lines which have already been explored and marked by Government employees.

ROBERT BEAVEN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands & Works Department,
Victoria, August 17th, 1875.

(We reproduce the above proclamation to refresh the minds of our Cowichan friends. We drew their attention to the munificence of the "reward" in 1875. One hundred dollars! To be paid for what? For measuring, distinctly staking out and blazing the best line for an eighteen foot wagon-road from Victoria to Cowichan. And in addition the party was to furnish comprehensive specifications of the work necessary to be performed. One hundred dollars! As Squeers would exclaim, "Here's richness!", Why, it was mocking at the calamity of several hundred Cowichan people who had petitioned for a wagon road and the "reward" was the response. Not even a Chinaman competed for the "reward." Some two years before issuing the above the Walkem Government did call for tenders, and the House voted $26,000 for a wagon-road to Cowichan; but they took precious good care not to award a contract. When the Elliott Government came in they withdrew the princely offer of "one hundred dollars reward," and sent Mr. A. R. Howse, C. E., to explore for a route. That gentleman found a splendid line. Last year the Government gave out a contract and one-half of the road is already constructed and the other half will be contructed before the 1st of October. Next year a farmer will be able to fill his wagon with the produce of his farm and drive right through to Victoria, returning home the following day. Or he will drive through a band of cattle or sheep in a single day. In August 1875, Mr. Walkem visited Cowichan. He made a speech whilst there and pronounced a wagon road from Victoria to Cowichan impracticable. Mr. Booth (who is now standing at Cowichan for election) endorsed the statement. We are told that the ex-chief sneers at the line already adopted. If in power to-morrow he would no doubt abandon the work and substitute the "$100 reward." We believe that the Cowichan people are satified with the exertions of the Government on behalf of the road and in other respects; but whether they are satisfied or not, we invite careful attention to the proclamation given above. It is a true copy of the original and ought to be read by every Cowichan settler, who will know what he has to expect, should there be a change of Government.

OUR DEFENCES.

We have frequently drawn attention to the condition of the defences of this Province. We observe by our telegrams that the English press have taken the matter up and are discussing the probabilities of a Russian force capturing the dockyard and the coal mines on Vancouver Island. It is inexplicable, this lack of attention to our defences, and can only be accounted for on the hypothesis that the British Government do not anticipate an early outbreak of hostilities. But is it not strange that every British fleet is being strengthened save that in the Pacific? British commerce in the Pacific has attained to great importance, but a swift privateer or two, with no cruiser to interrupt its operations, would work incalculable injury.

Engish Mail.

A strange malady has shown itself among the salmon in the rivers of Westmoreland and Cumberland. The head and tail first, and then the whole body of the fish, are attacked by the disease which seems to eat away the flesh, and resembles leprosy. Correspondents describe them as leaping out of the water as if in pain, and in frantic efforts to escape; some return to the sea, but many perish in their attempts to reach the salt water.

Charles Richard Roberts, 34 a coachman, has been endeavouring to force an entrance into Buckingham Palace, on the ground that the Queen was his mother, and that he had been born there and taken away in his infancy. He said to the officers who gently but firmly removed him to a lunatic asylum, that for years past he has been under the impression that he ought to come there "until he was raised."

There is a well-understood rule that those who preach before the Queen are not to exceed fifteen minutes in their discourse. A few Sundays ago, however, the Rev. Francis Pignon, chaplain in ordinary, took the opportunity afforded him of imparting Godly instruction to his Monarch in order to preach for three mortal quarters of an hour to her Majesty against her allies the Turks, and to prove, or seek to prove, out of the Prophet Daniel that they must be brought to an end and swept away.

Mr. Wigner, a public analyst of London, has reported that the scarlet fever, now prevalent there, is caused by impure water introduced into milk by the dairymen. This water is taken from wells in a horrible condition, and is reported to be fourteen times as foul as the ordinary London sewage. The vendors of the milk will be prosecuted.

Following right on the heels of the announcement of the death in a steeple-chase of Mr. St. James, a young Irish nobleman, comes that of the death of William Archer, brother of the famous light-weight jockey who last year earned more money than the Lord Chancellor of England. Archer's horse fell and rolled upon him.

In the year 1877, for the first time in the last six years, the marriages in England fell below 200,000 in number. The number of marriages in Scotland in 1877—namely, 25,790—is the lowest registered in any year since 1872.

New Advertisements

NOTICE.

THE OFFICE OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA Milling and Mining Company, Limited, is from and after this date removed to the rooms of the British Columbia Express Company, 46 Yates street.

By order of the Directors
G. A. SARGISON, Secty.

Victoria, 6th May, 1878. my7

FISHERIES.

WE INVITE THE FISHERMEN OF BRITISH Columbia to ask their merchant or outfitter for samples and prices for our **Standard Cotton Seine Netting and Nets**; 70lbs. cotton gives as large area of spread as 100lbs net. Cotton is universally used in the United States, France and England in the fisheries, and it is more economical and durable than hemp

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CAPTAIN.....McCULLOCH

Will leave the H. B. Co's wharf for Fort Wrangel and way ports

On Saturday, May 11th, at 6 a.m.

The Purser must be furnished with an invoice of all goods for Cassiar, otherwise they will be detained at Wrangel.

For Particulars as to Freight and Passage, apply on board. my7

Proserpine Gold and Silver Mining Co.

ASSESSMENT NUMBER FIVE OF ONE Cent per Share is now due, by order of the Trustees.

As the Company will be incorporated in a few days shareholders are requested to pay all assessments and make necessary transfers by forwarding bills of sale to the Secretary before the issue of Certificates.

my7dw HY. ANDERSON, Secty.

To the Electors of Victoria City.

GENTLEMEN:—The House of Assembly having been dissolved you are called upon to elect four members to represent you in the next Legislature. I have the honor to offer myself as a candidate for re-election, trusting my past services will be a guarantee for my future course. It will be my duty, as well as my interests and inclination, to do all in my power to promote the best interests of the City and to develop the many industries that are springing up on every side throughout the Province.

My views as to Railway construction are entirely in accord with your own—to have the Carnarvon Treaty faithfully, honestly and speedily carried out.

The construction of the dry dock has been, is, and will be an exceedingly difficult undertaking, and I much fear the financial condition of the Province will preclude the realization of our most earnest hopes in that direction. Whilst I am not prepared to release Canada from her just obligations to the Province in connection with the dry dock, it is to England, and to England alone that we have to look for the actual completion of this work. It will be to her of greater importance than to the people of this country, although of advantage of both.

A resolution should be passed by the House at its first sitting to preclude the possibility of the employment of Chinamen upon work for which Provincial money has to be paid, and existing Acts should be so amended as to exclude the employment of Chinamen on all municipal work.

The Free School system has my earnest and hearty support and any measure that will conduce to its still greater usefulness will find in me a warm friend.

A proposition for the redistribution of seats in the Assembly is one that will have to be considered by the new House. At this moment we have to face the anomaly of Kootenay District with two members to thirty-three voters, while Victoria City with one thousand voters returns but four members, and Nanaimo with some 500 returns but one member. There are other districts where anomalies, if not so glaring, exist; and Cassiar—a productive community of twelve hundred persons, is left without any representation at all. To reform these abuses I shall give my earnest attention if returned, and shall deem it my duty to support a bill for the amendment of the existing Constitution so as to afford equitable representation without increasing the cost of legislation,

Thanking you for past support,
I have the honor to remain,
Your obedient servant,
my7 JAMES TRIMBLE.

NOTICE TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT my office on Saturday the Eleventh day of May, at noon, for the erection and completion of a Villa Residence to be situated on the Northeast corner of Birdcage Walk and Superior street.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JOHN TEAGUE,
my2 Architect, Government street.

New Advertisements

To the Electors of Esquimalt District, including Highland, Sooke and Metchosin.

GENTLEMEN: When you did me the honor to elect me to the Legislative Assembly the Province was deplorably embarassed; not only had the legitimate revenue been recklessly squandered on unproductive works, but on ministerial pilgrimages, on expensive journeys to Cariboo and Europe and on commissions and premiums paid to friends for small services, which services Ministers were well paid for performing.

Every dollar that could be borrowed, from whatsoever source, had been appropriated in furtherance of a policy which was simply to sow money broadcast to catch votes and retain office.

The public debt had increased to something over nine hundred thousand dollars by nearly doubling expenditure over income and paying eight and ten per cent. interest, while the credit of the Province had been strained to its utmost tension.

The revenue was pledged to the Dominion for a small advance, and banking facilities were completely exhausted. We had none of the sinews of war left—neither the money, the men nor the material to fight Mackenzie with, but were cringing and crouching to masterdom for the smallest favor granted in our desperate necessity.

I felt it my duty to vote against a government which had led us into such a dilemma and in which I had lost all confidence. I have since given my support to a government which has had great difficulties to contend with although none of them are of its own creation.

The Elliott Ministry may not have done all and everything that you or I might desire; but I will not embarass or desert them until I find sufficient reason for doing so.

They were defeated upon a measure which they need never be ashamed of—as a resident physician to the Lunatic Asylum is an absolute necessity whatever may be the opinions to the man best qualified for the position.

The improved condition of the country is generally admitted and contrasts favorably with the state it was in three years ago.

The taxes which the necessities of the times required for the liquidation of our indebtedness have attracted English capital at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and our bonds which were sold last year at 96 are now worth 110, and the credit of British Columbia stands higher in London than that of Quebec, the oldest province of the Dominion of Canada.

The rate of interest which was at eight and ten per cent. is now reduced to seven and six.

The non-fulfilment of the terms of confederation by the Dominion Government and the long delay in commencing railway work on the Pacific coast is what we have reason to deplore. It was a great loss to the Island when the proposals of Mr. Edgar were not entertained. If negotiations—which terminated so abruptly—had been conducted by the government of that day in a different spirit rails now rusting on the wharves at Esquimalt would have been laid on the road to Nanaimo and the spirit of the Carnarvon Terms complied with.

The construction of the graving dock which was required from us by the Dominion Government under stipulated conditions, has been unnecessarily delayed under false hopes, delusive expectations and a series of blunders.

The purchase of cement and machinery before either were required ranks among the many expensive vagaries of an erratic minister on a jaunt to London.

We have already paid a great price for engineering skill and must continue to do so under existing engagements entered into by a former Government with only an unfinished cofferdam to show for an expenditure of over $200,000.

It is now over three years since we were promised by Mr. Walkem that 500 men would be at work on the Drydock, and every man, woman and child employed about Esquimalt, and yet we find up to this day excavation has not yet been begun nor the cofferdam contract carried out.

If the Imperial Government should not take the work off our hands within a reasonable time, I shall insist upon the Dock being completed by the Province according to the Terms of Confederation, feeling convinced that every dollar spent in labor on the works at Esquimalt will spread and fructify in the most remote districts of the Province; and whenever labor and capital are united on productive works prosperity will attend.

If the money which has been spent on useless roads and bridges constructed by Chinese labor on the Mainland had been judiciously laid out in the construction of a Dock the work could have been completed by this time without Chinamen's aid, and in all probability sold to the Imperial Government at a profit.

As I am a well known advocate of a sound and practical education for every boy and every girl in every district, I will not deprive them of the highest branches of education as soon as the country can afford to pay Professors of Law, Physic and Divinity.

With regard to the re-distribution of seats, I am in favor of equalizing representation, but not in favor of forcing a member on any district contrary to the will of the people most interested. As I will endeavor to make suitable arrangements for a meeting of the electors at Esquimalt at an early date, I hope then and there to be able to give a good account of my stewardship, and if I am deemed worthy of a renewal of your condence my time and best exertions shall be devoted to promote your interests and the general welfare of the Province.

I have the honor to remain,
Your faithful servant,
WILLIAM FISHER.

THE FORT, Esquimalt,
May 6th, 1878. my7
(Standard copy.)

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Special attention given to orders for tobacco of all brands.

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je3 m VICTORIA, B. C.

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THE STOCK TO BE DISPOSED OF WITHIN 30 DAYS!!

THE LARGE AND WELL-ASSORTED STOCK OF

Strouss, Briggs, Kurtz & Co.

Wharf Street,

WILL BE OFFERED AT COST FOR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS DATE.

THIS IS THE BEST OPPORTUNITY EVER OFFERED TO INTENDING PURCHASERS TO GET CHEAP GOODS.

The Whole Stock must be Disposed of, as a SPEEDY SALE is the object regardless of any Advance heretofore asked.

GOODS WILL BE SOLD

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

VICTORIA, May 6th, 1878. my7

AUCTION SALE

2000 ACRES FINE FARMING LANDS

J. P. Davies & Co.

Have received instructions from Alex. Munro, Esq., Chief Factor of the Hudson Bay Co., to sell by Public Auction

On Monday, 17th June,

AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.

At Salesrooms, Wharf street, that fine tract of land known as the

HUDSON BAY COY'S FARM,

Near the Townsite of Langley on South bank of Fraser River,

NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

Containing 2,000 Acres, in Lots of 100 Acres, more or less, to be sold on a

Credit of Four Years

The Property is exceedingly well situated in a thriving settlement traversed by the New Westminster and Yale Waggon Road. The Soil is of very superior quality and most of it is ready for the plough. A large extent has been FENCED, cultivated, and provided with

Commodious Barns, Cattle Sheds and other Buildings.

To Farmers and others this is a most favorable opportunity of securing desirable homesteads.

Lithograph Maps, with all information appertaining to the same, will be furnished on application to

J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
ap9 Auctioneers.

REAL ESTATE SALE.

By Order of the Mortgagee.

W. R. CLARKE & CO., will sell at their salesrooms, Yates street, on Wednesday, 15th May 1878, at 12 o'clock, noon,

Lulu Island, New Westminster District—Sections 9, 16, 17, 20, 21, 18, Range 6 W., Block IV and V, north, containing 960 acres, together with excellent dwelling house hard finished, out buildings, &c.

New Westminster District—Lot 258, Group 1, Sec. 15 and 16, Range 5 W., Block 5 N., and part of Sec. 19, Range 5 W., containing about 300 acres.

New Westminster District—Pitt Meadows, Sec. 10 and 11, Range 1 E, Block VI N., 209 acres.

Luke District—Sec. 28, 30, 31, 32, Cordova Bay, containing 342 acres.

Metchosin District—Sec. 41 and 42, containing 283 acres.

Victoria City—Lot 861.

Lot 4, James Bay, about 2 acres fenced, with a crop of potatoes in the ground.

my1 W. R. CLARKE & CO., Auctioneers.

Notice—Lost.

ON MONDAY AFTERNOON, 22nd inst., two P. O. Orders payable at the Bank of British Columbia. Whoever will bring them to this office will be suitably rewarded. Payment has been stopped at the Bank. ap23

Educational.

AN ENGLISH LADY IS OPEN TO ENgagement in a family to teach all the English branches, Music on the Piano, the Guitar, Harp, Organ and voice, with Painting and Drawing and the Modern Languages. First and best of recommendations. Address "M.B.H.," at this office. my4

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Green Hides 7 cents per lb.
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Delivered on the Wharf at Victoria.

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Have received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

AT THE NAVAL YARD, ESQUIMALT

On behalf of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty,

Wednesday, 15th May, '78

AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON,

The undermentioned

CONDEMNED AND OBSOLETE STORES:

30cwt. 1qr. 22lb. white canvas rags
19cwt. 2qrs. 27lb. painted do
lot woolen, linen and old coal sacks, leather hose, 95cwt. 3qr. 4lb. wrought iron, 174cwt. 0qr. 26lb. cordage paper stuff, coir rope, iron bound wood casks, lot packing cases, 998 fathoms 2 and 2½ in. new cordage chafed, lot leather and old hide rope, 220 iron oil casks of assorted sizes, lot old steel and old files, and lot tin cans.

BOAT SKIFF,

19 feet, mast, boom, spreet and 3 sails.

3 COOKING STOVES,

57 white canvas haversacks, cartridge brls, lot old metal, paper wool and tin, tobacco, cases, barrels, half hogsheads, library books, small casks.

Clothing.

Jackets, coats, trousers, cloth, duck, flannel, serge, drill, stockings, shoes, comforters, blankets, beds, bedcovers, shirts, hats, wrappers.

ALSO—Ordinary and soluble chocolate, flour, raisins, preserved potatoes egg powder, rice, biscuit dust, skimmings, hides, 1092 staves, 523 heading pieces, 1824 hoop iron, 499 biscuit bags, lot lemon and wine bottles, 524 assorted cases, plate glass lamps, 70 glass hand lanterns, weighing machines, stelyards, thermometers, padlocks, cleavers, lot of kitchen utensils, spring balances, tools, vices, canisters, meat dishes, 4 and 5-gallon kettles, lamp cotton, japanned lamps, silverplated ware, glassware, toast racks, 120 bags 8,000 lbs. biscuit.

MEDICAL STORES.

Baskets, hair beds, bottles, cases, iron bound casks, ensigns, &c., &c.

TERMS CASH.

☞ In addition to the prices paid at auction for the stores, the purchasers will have to pay the Government Duties on same to the Auctioneers, prior to delivery of bills.

Also—Life Boat Cutter,

Sailing and rowing, built by White, of Cowes, Isle of Wight, England, of mahogany, in perfect repair, length 22 feet, beam 6 feet overall; likewise, mast and yard rigging and gear, 2 sails, 1 iron bowsprit, 2 oars, 2 brass crutches and iron tiller, 4 galvanized iron lumber irons, 2 ditto awning stanchions, 2 picnic boxes fitted into place, 1 awning.

ALSO—Lot Sunday School Books.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
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Daily British Colonist.

TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 7TH, 1878.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.

May 6—Sch Industry, Saanich
Str Enterprise, New Westminster
Str Mando, Nanaimo
Str City of Panama, San Francisco
Str California, Portland
Str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
Str Otter, Fort Wrangel
Str Wilson G. Hunt, New Westminster

CLEARED.

May 6—Sch Industry, Saanich
Str Cariboo-Fly, Nanaimo
Str Enterprise, New Westminster
Str City of Panama, Pt Townsend
Str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
Str Iris, Skeena River
Str Wilson G. Hunt, New Westminster
Sch Letitia, Pt Townsend
Str California, Nanaimo

PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND.

ENTERED.

Apl. 27—Ship Shirley, San Francisco
Ship War Hawk, San Francisco
Ship Huveme, San Francisco
Bk James Cheston, Gamble
28—Brg Levi Stevens, San Francisco
Str Dakota, Seattle
Bk Harvest Home, San Francisco
Bkt Malay, San Francisco
Bk Eldorado, San Francisco
29—Bk J. B. Bell, San Francisco
Bk Mary Glover, San Francisco
Bk Dublin, San Francisco
Bkt R. K. Ham, San Francisco
Bk Atalanta, San Francisco
Sch D. S. Williams, San Francisco
Bk Vidette, San Francisco
Ship Alaska, San Francisco
Bk Oakland, San Francisco

CLEARED.

Apl. 27—Ship Shirley, Tacoma
Bk James Cheston, San Francisco
28—Str Dakota, Victoria
Bk Harvest Home, Seattle
Sch Huveme, Blakely
29—Bk Atalanta, Gamble
Bkt Malay, Nanaimo
Ship War Hawk, Nanaimo
Bk J. B. Bell, Seattle
Bk Mary Glover, Seattle
Bk Dublin, Seabeck
Bkt R. K. Ham Blakely
Bk Eldorado, Seattle
Bk S. D. Williams, Blakely
Bk Vidette, Madison
Bk Oakland, Madison

CONSIGNEES.

Per stmp City of Panama, fm San Francisco — Jos. Spratt, A Bossi & Co, A B Gray & Co, Belmont Tab'g Co, Cameron & Ross, B C Packing Co, Capt. Irving, D Grillo, D W Higgins, E Marvin, E B Marvin, E Grancini, Ell Harrison, F Neufelder & Co, F M Wilks, F Eickhoff, Fellows & Roscoe, F G Richards, G Keays, G B Wright, Henry Saunders, H M Cowper, H Holbrook, Henry Mansell, J Holroyd, J Wren, James G Worth, J H Innes, J Abrams, J Wise, J H Turner, J Hirst, J H Todd, John Dougall, J Laytrete, J Huntingdon, John Mahrer, J Ellard, J Rodollo, S L Kelley & Co, J Cunningham, Kwong Lee, King & Co, Lane, Pike & Nelson, Langley & Co, Moore & Co, Engelhardt & Co, Matthews Richards & Tye, Oppenheimer Bros, R P Rithet, PeterOusterout, R W Deane, P McQuade & Son, Rickman & Ofner, J Rueff & Co, R Maynard, S Leiser, Smith & Clark, Stahlschmidt & Ward, Stewart & Braden, T N Hibben & Co, Tai Chong Turner Beeton & Tunstall, Thos Shotbolt, T Harper, U Nelson, W G Norris, W Heathorn, Wells-Fargo & Co, Order.

Per str North Pacific, fm Puget Sound—W Simpson TN, ABaCo, M E Connor, G B Wright, Mrs. Scribner, F Norris, FR.

PASSENGERS.

Per stmp California, fm Portland—For Victoria—Mrs Webb, Mrs Fredison, G Clark, T Clark, J Hill, A H Walker, Jno Comot, T Harris, T Smith, J Calbreath For Wangel and Sitka—W Hodges, J Burry, J S Oakford, W Healp, J H King, J R Barron, A Liese, Wm Wyman, S Doughty, G Oliver, Jno Rafferty, C Shute, T McAuley, Major M P Barry, C L Wolton, A Hunter R G Ennery, A Forey.

DEATHS.

At Bella Coola, on the 16th April, Frederick William, aged 44 years, second son of the late Dr. J. F. Kennedy.

Telegraphic Dispatches.

The British Colonist is the only newspaper published in British Columbia that receives Telegraphic Dispatches. Its value as a news and advertising medium is therefore apparent.

The Pacific Railway.

In the Senate, April 21, Mr. Pope resumed the debate of Mr. Read's motion. Mr. Cornwall contended that the route of the Canadian Pacific Railway lay through a country better fitted for settlement than any part of the Union Pacific Railway between Omaha and the Rocky Mountains. There was no excuse for delay in commencing work in British Columbia, because the best route, the valley of the Thompson and Fraser rivers, had been surveyed and pronounced practicable so long ago as 1871.

Mr. Macdonald (Victoria) believed the Government had no intention of ever building the road, and denounced the expenditure of money in the name of Pacific Railway on any part of the road except the main line.

An Explanation.

In the Senate, April 24th, hon. Mr. Carrall desired to make a personal explanation before the orders of the day were called. He had noticed in the *Free Press* report of a speech made by Mr. Landerkin yesterday in the House of Commons the statement that a Senator had come to a table in the House of Commons and complained that he had been accused by the member for South Ontario of getting the member for Kingston drunk. This the Senator denied, and added that "Brother Gibbs had better mind his own business." As he believed himself to be the Senator referred to he felt it his duty to contradict this statement. What he did say—and it was only in a jocular way—was that he did not invite Sir John to table for fear Brother Gibbs would say he wished to make him drunk.

OPERA BOUFFE.—The Rose Manning Company who arrived on Saturday night last from San Francisco will open at the Theatre to-morrow evening for a season of five nights in Opera Bouffe. Miss Rose Manning is a most accomplished cantatrice and a first class actress, and will be a great favorite among lovers of good music. The other members of the company are most highly spoken of in our exchanges, and we may fairly predict a season of first class Opera Bouffe. On Wednesday and Thursday evenings Lecocq's sparkling Opera Bouffe "Girofle Girofla" will be presented, with Miss Rose Manning in the dual character of Girofle-Girofla. Miss Lotta Chissold will take the character of Paquito, her attendant. Mr. W. H. Tilla, an old favorite of Victoria, will come forward as Marasquin; while the roll of Moursouk, the Moorish Prince, will be taken by Mr. G. Harris; Mr. J. Dauphin will appear as Don Bolero, and Mr. W. Bartol as Perez, the pirate. As a large number of seats have already been booked we would advise those who desire seats to secure them at once.

THE little steamer Iris will sail for Inverness, mouth of Skeena River, early this morning.

Powder Accident at Chilliwhack.

Our correspondent writing 2nd states: A rather serious misfortune occurred here on the 30th ult. whereby Elizabeth Greyell, a girl 14 years of age, daughter of Emanuel Greyell, Esq., and two children belonging to Mr. H. Kipp were seriously burned with gunpowder. Mr. Greyell's family were all from home except the daughter when the accident occurred, and it seems that she was amusing herself and the two children by allowing grains of the powder to drop on an ember in front of the stove, out of the flask and see it flare; the consequence was that the flare communicated with the contents of the flask which exploded, resulting in seriously burning the girl and one of the little ones about the face. The other child received quite a scorching and had some of the skin peeled off its chin and forehead; but is not in any danger. Were it not for Mrs. Kipp's presence of mind in smothering the fire which was communicated to their clothes from the explosion, a fatal accident would have to be recorded. The shock was felt some distance from the house. The books upon the shelves and other utensils were thrown from their position and the clock stopped running. If the sight of the victims is not injured it is hoped they will come round all right. The eyes of the two are so much swollen that it cannot be ascertained whether those organs are injured much or not. The girl feels acute pain in the visionary organs, and it is feared that a splinter from the flask lodged therein. The families have the sympathies of the entire neighbourhood. It is to be hoped that they will recover without having any serious remarks to put them in mind of their indiscretion.

THE HEATHEN CHINEE AND THEIR NEW JOSS.—Mr. W. Tierney writes to contradict an assertion made by Mr. Joss Beaven at the late Theatre meeting to the effect that he (Mr. Tierney) was one of the first contractors to employ Chinese labor. Our correspondent shows that in consequence of his refusal to employ Chinese he was unable to obtain any road contract from Mr. Beaven in 1874; that he asked Mr. Beaven to insert a clause in the specifications forbidding the employment of that class of labor, and that he refused; and, finally, that it was not until 1875 that he, in company with Mr. Hick, secured a contract on that road, when, in self-defence, they did employ some Chinamen. Since 1875 Mr. Tierney has employed no Chinamen, not even as cooks on his contracts. This seems to saddle Mr. Beaven with the responsibility of encouraging, if not introducing, Chinese labor on public works.

DEATH OF W. S. O'BRIEN.—The great firm of Flood & O'Brien has been dissolved. The junior partner of the firm expired at San Rafael, California, on the 2d inst. Deceased had recently erected a handsome mausoleum in the Catholic Calvary cemetery, where his remains will be deposited. It is known that Mr. O'Brien recently made a will; but its conditions are yet unknown, though it is reported that his partners are made executors and that the bulk of the property is devised to relatives. It is also rumored that the charities of the city are handsomely remembered.

CHINESE CANNOT VOTE.—It has been decided by the United States Circuit Court, sitting at San Francisco, that a Mongolian (a native of China or Japan) is not a white person within the meaning of the United States naturalization laws," and is therefore not entitled to become a citizen of this country. It is clear from the language of the statute that but two classes of aliens can be naturalised, viz., aliens who are free white persons, and aliens or persons of African nativity or descent. The Chinaman does not fall within either class, as he is neither of the African nor a Caucasian race.

I. O. G. T. INSTALLATION.—At a regular meeting held at the Cedar Hill Lodge, No. 11, I. O. G. T., the following officers were installed by Bro. O. D. Sweet, assisted by G. W. S. Locke and G. W. M Graham:—W.C.T., Bro. John Irvine, jr.; W.R.H.S., A. H. King; W L H.S., J. Deans; W.V.T., Sis. Jessie Irvine; W.S., Bro. W. Irvine; W.F.S., Bro. Geo. Deans, jr.; W.T., Sis. Maggie Irvine; W.C., Bro. J. Page; W.M., Bro. P. Merriman; W.I.G., Sis. J. Deans; W.O.G, Bro. W. Ried; W.A.S., Sis. Maggie VanAllman; P.W. C.T., Bro. Geo. Deans, jr.; W.D.M., Bro. K. S. Sweet.

DEATHS.—Mr. F. Kennedy, the Hudson Bay Company's agent at Bella Coola, died there on the 16th ult. Deceased was an estimable man, aged about 44 years, and was brother of Mr. J. Kennedy in the employ of the H. B. Co. in this city. Mr. H. L. Jenner, son of the Right Rev. Bishop Jenner of Kent, England, died at Nanaimo on Thursday evening last. He was well known here and had for some time previous to his death been in the Government employ.

THE LATE MR. F. KENNEDY, whose death is alluded to elsewhere, was born in this city in 1834. He was educated in the Red River country and was soon after engaged by the Puget Sound Company. Some four years since he entered the Hudson Bay Company's service and was first stationed at Bella Bella and subsequently at Bella Coola, where death from inflammation of the lungs overtook him. A brother-in-law of the deceased was killed by Indians at Bella Coola some ten years ago.

CAPTAIN JACK'S COMBINATION.—Last evening this company closed their engagement at Theatre Royal, which was well filled for the occasion by members of the Victoria Fire Department to whom a benefit had been tendered. During the evening Captain Jack again displayed his lightning pistol shooting which was loudly applauded. The company leave this morning for the Sound.

STROUSS, BRIGGS, KURTZ & CO.—This Wharf street firm will offer their goods at wholesale and retail for the next thirty days. Here is an opportunity for bargains never before offered in Victoria.

THE Canada Grand Trunk Railway's revenue for the last half of 1878 was £256,000, against £177,000 for the corresponding half of 1877.

KNIGHTED.—Hon. A. J. Smith, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, has been knighted in acknowledgment of his services in connection with the Fisheries Award.

THE steamship California for Wrangel and Sitka arrived from Portland on Sunday.

Our Puget Sound Mail Service in Danger.

The Seattle *Tribune* says: "Unless the Canadians furnish the 'needful' they will get no more mail from this side after the 1st July. Hitherto the U. S. Government has paid all the expense of the service from the Sound. Now it refuses to pay any of it. A turn about is fair play, and the Canadians should be willing to take up the load where the Americans lay it down. Efforts are being made at Ottawa to secure the necessary appropriation of funds for a tri-weekly service from Port Townsend, and they will probably prove successful."

By the terms of union of this Province with Canada the Dominion is compelled to provide an effectual steam mail service twice a week between Olympia and Victoria, and the attention of the Ottawa Government has been drawn to the fact.

Municipal Police Court.

(Before H. C. Courtney, Esq., P.M.)

MONDAY, 7th May, 1878.

Ma Colla, a Cape Mudge Indian, charged with disturbing the peace was fined $5 or one month's imprisonment with hard labor.

Charles Cocella, a Fort Rupert Indian, charged with disturbing the peace was also fined $5 or one month's imprisonment with hard labor.

Robert Davis, charged with disturbing the peace and breaking a window was fined $20 or two months' imprisonment with hard labor.

Destructive Fire at Cassiar.

Information has been received of the destruction of the Government buildings at Cassiar by fire on the morning of the 18th ult. All the buildings, with the exception of the Record Office, were destroyed. Fortunately the books, accounts, records and other valuable papers in connection with the various offices were saved. The buildings demolished are the jail, the magistrate's office and the magistrate's quarters which were erected in 1877 by the Elliott Government at a cost of $2,000. We regret to learn that several of the Government officials are individually heavy losers by the fire.

Latest from Cassiar.

The H. B. Co.'s steamer Otter Capt. McCulloch, arrived from Wrangel and way ports on Sunday. The ice was all out of Stickeen river, but the water was too low to admit of steamboat navigation. Mr. Johnson, the expressman, had been to Dease Creek and returned, having made a very quick trip. The weather was mild on Dease and Thibert Creeks. Butter, ham, bacon and yeast powder were scarce. Times dull. The hull of the lake steamer was ready to receive its machinery.

VICTORIA DISTRICT.—In another column the electors of Victoria District will find Dr. Tolmie's address to them. It is a sound document, bearing upon every political issue of the day, and dealing with questions of importance to the electors in a straightforward manner. The doctor's interests are identical with those of the constituency he has faithfully represented during the past four sessions, and every day brings convincing proof that he will be re-elected by a large majority.

THE RAILWAY ROUTE—A late telegram from Ottawa states that Mr. Mackenzie has declared in favor of the Burrard Inlet route. A private letter dated April 18th, from the Federal capital, states that all the members save Mr. Mackenzie are in favor of Bute Inlet, and that Mr. Fleming had been sent for in hot haste to give his opinion, which our own exclusive telegrams have already informed COLONIST readers is in favor of Burrard Inlet.

OUR NEW DRESS.—Nearly two tons of type from Millar & Richards' Edinburgh Foundry reached San Francisco *via* Southampton and Panama on the 29th April, too late however, to be placed on board the City of Panama, which sailed on the 30th inst. The type will doubtless come to hand on the 14th inst., and we hope to issue the new BRITISH COLONIST on or about the 25th of the present month.

PERSONAL.—H. H. Bancroft, Esq., head of the great publishing house of H. H. Bancroft & Co., San Francisco, arrived by the mail steamer. Mr. Bancroft, who is engaged in collecting material for a history of the Pacific Coast, in which the annals of British Columbia will constitute a prominent feature, has already written several works of an historical character.

ARRIVED.—The mail steamship City of Panama, with 165 passengers, 450 tons of freight and 33 bags of mail matter, arrived Sunday morning. She discharged freight Sunday morning and sailed for Puget Sound ports same day. She will not visit Nanaimo this trip, but will go on to Olympia.

"LAMARA AND OTHER POEMS," by George Herne Meyer; published by A. Roman & Co., San Francisco. This is a volumn of sentiment, the product of an imaginative young mind, and is really creditable to the author. For sale by T. N. Hibben & Co., stationers.

NEW COUNTY COURT JUDGE.—A. W. Vowell, Esq., Gold Commissioner of Cassiar, who has just returned from a visit to the home of his childhood, has been appointed County Court Judge of Cassiar by the Dominion Government.

H. M. S. SHAH.—A private letter from Coquimbo states that it is feared the Shah may have to go to England as her copper is dropping off and she cannot be docked at Esquimalt.

THE B. C. STOCK BOARD ROOM will in future be lit up and kept open evenings for the use of members and their friends. This will prove a great convenience for those who are frequently at a loss to name a *rendezvous*.

THE steamer North Pacific arrved at 11.40 a. m. yesterday from the Sound with the mails and about 30 passengers. She also brought over 180 sheep for F. Reynolds.

SUPPLEMENT.—A supplement sheet accompanies this number of THE COLONIST. We have still a large amount of valuable reading matter crowded out, which will appear in a day or two.

MR. C. E. NEUFELDER, U. S. Vice-Consul of this port, accompanied by his bride, returned on Sunday, and received the warm congratulations of his friends.

Financial.

(Exclusive Dispatch to the Colonist.)

PORTLAND, May 4.—Gold 100½; greenbacks 99½@par; silver 2@2½ discount.

THE TRANSIT OF MERCURY ACROSS THE SUN'S DISC.—Mr. Homfray says the first contact took place at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. At a quarter to eleven the planet was near the centre of the sun, and at 2:30 o'clock it had passed entirely across the sun's face in its downward path from east to west. The time in transit was about 7½ hours. The planet, which appeared as a round black spot, was distinctly seen through one of his low power transit telescopes by many observers and was really an interesting sight; its orbit lying so near the sun he is rarely seen being enveloped in the sun's rays. The next transit of Mercury will occur in 1881. The transits of Mercury and Venus enable astronomers to ascertain the distance between the sun and the earth.

ESQUIMALT DISTRICT.—The address of Mr. Wm. Fisher, the late efficient member for this district appears this morning. Mr. Fisher takes a decided and manly stand on the issues of the day, explains the reason that induced him to oppose the Walkem and support the Elliott Government with much clearness and ability. Than Mr. Fisher no district had a more consistent or able advocate on the floor of the late House; but he was hampered by the obstreperousness and jealousy of his colleague, and although much good was effected, a great deal more might have been done had Mr. Williams consented to follow where he was incapable of leading.

NAVAL.—H.M. gunboat Rocket will be re-commissioned on arrival of new crew who are coming out in H. M. S Liffey to Coquimbo, and will be brought on from thence by man-of-war. Lieut. Vere E. Orlebar, late of H. M. S. Reindeer, is appointed to command. Sub-Lieut. S. W. A. H. Gray, and Sub-Lieut. H. B. Dillon are appointed on the re-commission. The destination of H.M S. Triumph is still uncertain. H. M. S. Shah, Admiral De Horsey, has been ordered to remain at Panama for the present.

THE steamer Grappler arrived at 7:15 p.m. yesterday from Wrangel with a large number of knees for Capt. Moore, and one passenger. She brought no later news than the Otter. During the whole trip down she experienced very severe storms with rain, and was several times obliged to put into different bays for shelter.

WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST.—This journal will be ready for delivery this morning. It contains a large amount of interesting matter and may be had at the book stores and publication office.

FOR WRANGLE.—The steamer Otter will sail at 6 a.m. on Saturday next for Wrangel and Sitka.

THE "TRIUMPH."—This iron-clad was ordered to be in readiness to receive her crew by May 1st.

What the Elliott Government has done for Saanich.

EDITOR COLONIST:—At the Saanich meeting of the 24th ult. several of the electors stood up and denied that the Elliott Government had benefitted Saanich since their advent to power. That was, Sir, an untrue and unblushing assertion on their part. That men will be factious in spite of themselves and that there are men of this class in Saanich is only too true. I shall for the benefit of the Walkemites of Saanich, who are not numerous, enumerate what the "Elliott Ring" as they are termed by their enemies have done for the Saanich farmers.

1st.—Grading of Saanich road from the city limits to Swan Lake; 2nd. Gravelling of Saanich road from Companies Hill to Royal Oak; 3rd.—Grading and gravelling from Royal Oak to Elk Lake; 4th.—Grading from Lewis' farm to Bryant's; 5th.—Grading and gravelling from Bryants to Simpson's; 6th.—Grading and gravelling from Simpson's to Pearce's; 7th.—Grading and gravelling from the grist mill to McDonalds. This finishes the work done on the East road; all by contract.

Now let us see what was done on the West road: Grading and gravelling from the Royal Oak to Stevens'; grading and gravelling as well as bridge-building from Stevens' to Wain's, North Saanich, under the supervision of Messrs. Snider and Sampson, a distance of many miles; as well as work done on the different cross roads, the cutting down of Tolmie's Hill and the raising of Sand Hill bridge.

The whole of this road work has been done in 1876 and 1877, and amounts in the aggregate to $13,176, or as much as the total amount of tax for North and South Saanich would amount to in twelve years under the present assessment. And yet, notwithstanding facts and figures, there are croakers in Saanich who are pining for the return of the Model Chief, Beaven, who in 1875 spent over $100,000 in Yale and New Westminister district illegally and contrary to the sanction of the Legislature, and generously expended in the whole of the Saanich district the enormous sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars and fifty cents. Not satisfied with this he insultingly told the Saanich deputation that they could expect no more since their members opposed the Government. And what is still more, Mr. Walkem quietly asserted it. Sir, we shall now calmly await the issue of the 22nd of May and see whether the electors of Victoria district will be so unjust and so ungrateful as to assist Humphreys and McIlmoyl to defeat the only Government that has equalized the expenditures throughout the province, opposition or no opposition, and placed the country in a fine and prosperous condition.

I am, etc.

Saanich, May 3rd. OBSERVER.

Mr. Humphreys on the Contract System.

EDITOR COLONIST:—At the political meeting recently held at Saanich Mr. Humphreys said that the Elliott Government had almost abandoned the contract system; that they had appointed extra superintendents in every district with gangs of men for political purposes. Now, Mr. Editor, it is well known that when Mr. Humphreys was a member of the Elliott ministry he was instrumental in having the late Mr. Sampson appointed road overseer for Saanich district who with a number of men worked for sometime on the West Saanich road. To his credit Mr. Sampson did excellent work and gave great satisfaction to the people of the district and Mr. Humphreys also intended to have the East road finished by day work under the same overseer; but in consequence of a number of local contractors objecting to his proposition he abandoned the idea, much to the regret of the settlers. That the contract system had been a failure in many instances both in this district and other districts in consequenc of the manner in which the work is slighted, there can be no doubt. As an instance of the way that road work is slighted by contractors I shall mention the following: In 1874 Mr. McIlmoyl (the present Opposition candidate) was awarded a two mile contract by the Walkem Government in North Saanich for grading and gravelling. The first mile and a half were very well done; but when it came to the last portion of the road, in place of using gravel, the contractor went to the beach and obtained broken clam shells and finished the road with it. Mr. Nicholson, the superintendent, I hear, objected to this, but Mr. Beaven vetoed Mr. Nicholson's objections and passed the road, simply, I suppose, because the contractor was a conscientious supporter. As a matter of course Mr. McIlmoyl was not to blame so long as the Chief Commissioner was satisfied it was all well and good. I might add that the portion of the road alluded to was utterly impassable last winter and must be repaired before farmers can do business with the grist mill. It would be an easy matter to furnish you with numerous other instances where road work has been slighted and passed allright; but it could do no possible good to bring up the names of the contractors who have euchered the public and farmers in particular.

Suffice it to say that the general opinion of all observing men is that the contract system of road making as carried out in this province is to a great extent a failure, and that the work is not so durable as when done by day work under competent overseers. The electors of Victoria district would, no doubt, be pleased to hear Mr. Humphreys explain why he has so materially changed his mind since 1876, when he opposed the contract system, and why in 1878 he favors it.

May 4th. NORTH SAANICH.

Esquimalt Politics.

EDITOR COLONIST. — Your correspondents' remarks concerning Mr. Helgesen's unfitness for the position of legislator are endorsed here. We are not disposed to be led by the nose by Mr. Williams, who is certainly not fitted for a leader. The nominations will be made Wednesday. I hope Mr. Wilby, or some other honored resident, will allow his name to be put forward, and not allow it to be said that the people of Esquimalt, at the bidding of Mr Williams, have consented to vote for a man who can scarcely read or write the English language.

Yours, &c.,
DUNDONALD.

Who Authorized It?

VICTORIA, B.C., May 6.

EDITOR COLONIST:—Who was it authorized Capt. Jack to use the name of the Fire Department to-night for a benefit performance? Neither the President nor delegates authorized it. Who did?

A FIREMAN.

By Electric Telegraph.

Exclusively to THE COLONIST the only Newspaper published in British Columbia that receives Telegraphic Dispatches.

Afternoon Dispatch.

INPORTANT NAVAL NEWS.

Defencelessness of the British Pacific.

Russian's Preparing to Fit Out Privateers.

EUROPE.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 5. — The "Agence Russe" says a much better impression prevails respecting the prospects of negotiations. It is rumored that the approaching arrival of Count Schouvaloff here on a visit is connected with the friendly exchange of views resulting from "pour parlers" between London and St. Petersburg. The Turks have evacuated Artion on the Pashalik of Trebizonde. This is considered the commencement of the execution of the treaty of San Stefano.

NEW YORK, May 5.—The "Tribune" publishes this: The British naval force in the Pacific is exceedingly weak. While the "Pall Mall Gazette" questions whether Russia, by breaking through the declaration of Paris, can do English commerce much harm out of the Pacific, it concedes that unfortunately the Government seem even yet scarcely alive to the exigencies of the occasion. The Triumph, though an iron-clad, is a poor substitute for the Shah, and no other vessels are being sent to the Pacific stations. It is claimed that apart altogether from the value of Vancouver Island, its harbors and coal, the British squadron in the Pacific are far too weak for the interests they have to protect and any heavy loss there, though it could not of course have much effect on the main issue of war, would be singularly damaging to British prestige in these seas.

The "Herald's" Baltimore dispatch says: I am informed some ten other Russian naval officers are to come to this country and that, with the assistance of two American gentlemen, they are to designate about fifty fast ships, to be purchased and fitted out for privateers in the event of war with England. The crews will be drafted partly from the men brought over by the Cimbria and will be completed by men enlisted in this country. One of the officers has a list of steamers for sale, in which the name of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company occurs.

VIENNA, May 5.—It is officially announced that the Austrian and Hungarian Ministries have come to an agreement on an Austro-Hungarian compromise. The compromise will be submitted to Parliament for ratification next week. Count Andrassy at a Cabinet Council said a realization of the vote of credit was urgently required to give power for a speedy concentration of troops on the Transylvania and Bosnian frontiers. The only report current in Vienna is that famine prevails in Eastern Russia.

Evening Dispatch.

EUROPE.

LONDON, May 4.—An examination of prisoners for the murder of Lord Leitrim has been held.

BUCHAREST, May 6.—We understand Russia has proposed new military convention by which she will be empowered to construct camps at Plojesti and Fojschani. Roumania has refused assent.

LONDON, May 6.—Hobart Pasha dined with the Queen at Windsor Castle yesterday.

LONDON, May 6.—The British Government has ordered a million pounds weight of lint and other appliances for wounded.

A telegram from Constantinople states that Moukhtar, Osman and Mehemet Ali Pashas have gone to San Stefano.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 2.—There are symptoms of a popular rising and discontent is everywhere manifest. The Porte has sent a note to the powers maintaining that it cannot evacuate Shumla, Varna and Batoum until the Russians retire. The Russians claim they cannot withdraw until the Turks evacuate the fortresses. The coming week will be a busy one at the English arsenals and dockyards and shipowners who hitherto have been privileged to berth their vessels in proximity to admiralty moorings opposite the victualling yard at Deptford have received notice to move them to-day. All the room available is to be reserved for transports.

Reports of recruiting officers for the past month show a remarkable increase in the number of enlistments for the army and the increase is still advancing at a steady rate.

NEW YORK, May 6.—In view of rumors that Russia is preparing a fleet on the Pacific Coast to be ready in the event of war with England the following dispatch from Yokohama, Japan, may have significance. It was received by a ship-owner of this city from the master of his bark. "Things look warlike here; can sell vessel to good advantage. Answer what you will take."

LONDON, 3. p. m., May 6.—An enormous fire is now raging in Manchester owing to lack of water and two large timber yards and ten houses are already destroyed.

EASTERN STATES.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Government has received no official information whatever concerning reports of prospective Fenian invasion of Canada.

BUFFALO, May 6.—There are vague rumors of a raid in Canada by the Irish in case of war between Russia and England. It is stated that three companies of Irish patriots are armed and equipped here ready for service and a thousand western Irishmen have been notified so that they can be here in 24 hours, while there are three thousand more in this vicinity who can rendezvous within a few days.

QUEBEC, May 6.—Provincial legislature is summoned for dispatch of business for fourth June.

CANADA.

MONTREAL, May 6.—Funeral of John Callingham, who was shot on Wellington Bridge on the night of the Orange concert, took place this p. m. About ten thousand members of the Irish National Societies took part.

Canadian Mail.

(Per Steamship C'ty of Panama.)

HALIFAX, April 21.—It is rumored that Hon. P. C. Hill, Provincial Secretary will shortly be appointed Lieut-Governor of this Province on the expiration of Lieut-Governor Archibald's term. There are about twenty candidates out for the eight seats in the Local Legislature of the Island of Cape Breton.

QUEBEC, April 20.—The barque Redcross, which arrived on Thursday evening being the first arrival from the sea, of the season, arrived seven days earlier than the first arrival last year.

The Hamilton-Tarte affair was a purely personal affair. The "Canadien" had called the Hamilton family vermin, and said they were a veritable plague. Then Tarte in the county, publicly said that Mr. John Hamilton and his family were the filth and scum of the land, and so when the latter met Tarte, and after being refused a retraction by him, he struck him in the face. It is untrue, as asserted by the "Canadien," that Tarte is seriously hurt.

OTTAWA, April 21.—Enquiry of Ministry—Whether the Government will take what rails and iron may be required for the construction of the Western section of the Canadian Pacific Railroad from a company who will manufacture the same at Nanaimo, and supply them as cheaply as they can be imported from abroad?—Mr. Bunster.

The population of Manitoba is increasing at the rate of one thousand per week.

The libel suit of Mr. Mackenzie against the publishers of the Sarnia "Canadian" ended as most libel suits growing out of politics do end, in a disagreement of the jury. The evidence was perfectly plain that the paper had, by inuendo, charged the Premier and his Cabinet with giving the firm of C. Mackenzie & Co. intimation of an intended increase of duty on iron tubing. Had Mr. Mackenzie been guilty of such an act he would have deserved prompt expulsion from the position he holds. The libel was a grievous one; and it was proved to have been uttered; but the jury could not agree.

REMOVED.

A. GILMORE wishes to inform his friends and the public that he has removed to the Commission Store on Johnson street, where he will continue to sell at invoice prices.

Garments made to order at cost, as he is closing out that branch of his business.

Notices.

[L.S.] A. N. RICHARDS.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of Cariboo:

Whereas, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has, by a Proclamation bearing date the 12th day of April, 1878, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and whereas it is necessary to hold elections throughout the said Province to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution; We command you that, notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause Election to be made according to law, of Three Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the Electoral District of Cariboo, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such Election to be held on the 8th day of May next, and do cause the names of such Members when so elected, whether they be present or absent, to be certified to Our Supreme Court, at the City of Victoria, on or before the 29th day of June next, the Election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly endorsed upon this Our Writ.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made patent under the Great Seal of Our said Province of British Columbia. WITNESS, the Honourable ALBERT NORTON RICHARDS, at Our Government House, at Victoria, the 12th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

By Command.
HENRY S. MASON,
Acting Registrar Supreme Court.

[L.S. A. N. RICHARDS.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c.

To the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of Lillooet.

Whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has, by Proclamation bearing date the 12th day of April, 1878, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and whereas it is necessary to hold elections throughout the said Province to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution; We command you that, notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause Election to be made according to law, of Two Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Colombia, for the Electoral District of Lillooet, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such Election to be held on the 8th day of May next, and do cause the names of such Members when so elected, whether they be present or absent, to be certified to Our Supreme Court, at the City of Victoria, on or before the 29th day of June next, the Election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly endorsed upon this Our Writ.

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To the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of Kootenay.

Whereas, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has by a Proclamation, bearing date the 12th day of April, 1878, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and whereas it is necessary to hold Elections throughout the said Province to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution; We command you that, notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause Election to be made according to law, of Two Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Colombia, for the Electoral District of Kootenay, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such Election to be held on the day of next, and do cause the names of such Members when so elected, whether they be present or absent, to be certified to Our Supreme Court, at the City of Victoria, on or before the 29th day of June next, the Election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly endorsed upon this Our Writ.

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CANADA.
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and to all whom it may concern—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

A. C. ELLIOTT, Attorney-General. } WHEREAS We have thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our said Province of British Columbia, to prorogue the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province till the Tenth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

NOOW KNOW YE that We do, for that end, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby prorogue the Legislative Assembly accordingly, until the Tenth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on Friday, the Tenth day of May next, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of Victoria, and therein do as may seem necessary. Herein fail not.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS the Honorable ALBERT NORTON RICHARDS, Lieutenant Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Tenth day of April, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and in the forty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command,
HENRY S. MASON,
Acting Registrar Supreme Court. ap14

Notices.

[L.S.] A. N. RICHARDS.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of Yale:

Whereas, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has, by a Proclamation bearing date the 12th day of April, 1878, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and whereas it is necessary to hold elections throughout the said Province fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution; We command you that, notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause Election to be made according to law, of Three Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the Electoral District of Yale, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such election to be held on the 8th day of May next, and do cause the names of such Members when so elected, whether they be present or absent, to be certified to Our Supreme Court, at the City of Victoria, on or before the 29th day of June next, the Election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly endorsed upon this Our Writ.

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CANADA.
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come—GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

A. C. ELLIOTT, } WHEREAS it is advisable to Attorney-General, } change the nomination and polling place in the Electoral District of Victoria from the School House, near the Royal Oak, to Stevens' Hotel.

NOW KNOW YE, that by virtue of the authority contained in the "Qualification and Registration of Voters' Act, 1876," the Lieutenant-Governor in Council declares that the nomination and polling place in the Electoral District of Victoria shall be at Stevens' Hotel instead of at the School House, Royal Oak, as heretofore.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS the Honorable ALBERT NORTON RICHARDS, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 22nd day of April in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight, and in the forty-first of Our Reign.

By Command.
A. C. ELLIOTT,
Provincial Secretary. ap23dw

[L.S.] A. N. RICHARDS.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c.

To the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of Victoria City.

Whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has by a Proclamation, bearing date the 12th day of April, 1878, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and whereas it is necessary to hold elections throughout the said Province to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution; We command you that notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause Election to be made according to law of Four Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the Electoral District of Victoria City, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such Election to be held on the 8th day of May next, and do cause the names of such Members when so elected, whether they be present or absent, to be certified to our Supreme Court, at the City of Victoria, on or before the 29th day of June next, the election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly endorsed upon this Our Writ.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these OurLetters to be made Patent under theGreat Seal of Our said Province of British Columbia, WITNESS the Honorable ALBERT NORTON RICHARDS, at Our Government House, at Victoria, the 12th day of April, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight.

By Command.
HENRY S. MASON,
Acting Registrar Supreme Court. ap16

[L.S.] A. N. RICHARDS.

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VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c.

To the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of Esquimalt.

Whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has by a Proclamation bearing date the 12th day of April, 1878, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and whereas it is necessary to hold Elections throughout the said Province to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution; We command you that notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause Election to be made according to law of Two Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the Electoral District of Esquimalt, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such Election to be held on the 8th day of May next, and do cause the names of such Members when so elected, whether they be present or absent, to be certified to our Supreme Court, at the City of Victoria, on or before the 29th day of June next, the election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly endorsed upon this Our Writ.

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Acting Registrar Supreme Court. ap16

JUST RECEIVED,
Per Steamship City of Panama,
EXTRA CHOICE
CANADIAN CHEESE,
For sale in Lots to Suit by
ap28 2p R. CARR,

Notices.

[L.S.] A. N. RICHARDS.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c.

To the Returning Officer of the Electoral District of Cowichan.

Whereas His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has by Proclamation bearing date the 12th day of April, 1878, been pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the said Province, and whereas it is necessary to hold Elections throughout the said Province to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution; We command you that, notice of the time and place of Election being duly given, you do cause election to be made according to law, of Two Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the Electoral District of Cowichan, and that you do cause the nomination of Candidates at such Election to be held on the 8th day of May next, and do cause the names of such members when so elected, whether they be present or absent, to be certified to Our Supreme Court at the City of Victoria, on or before the 29th day of June next, the Election so made, distinctly and openly under Our Seal duly endorsed upon this Our Writ.

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Thoroughbreds.

T. W. Carter's
BLACK HAWK MORGAN TROTTING STALLION
"WELLINGTON"

WILL MAKE THE SEASON OF 1878 AT Hillside Farm, Victoria, commencing May 1st and ending August 1st.

Terms $15 for the Season, or $20 to ensure.

Proper care will be taken to prevent accidents; but no responsibilities assumed. Will also stand at the following places:—Harry Simpson's, South Saanich, 1st May; Harry Wain's, North Saanich, 2nd May; at Henderson's, Mount Newton Hotel, 3d May; at Hill side Farm, from the 4th to the 8th May; and at each of the above places every ninth day. Will be taken to any Farm upon application. Postoffice Box 223.

PEDIGREE;

Wellington, 1412lbs., is 17 hands high, 6 years old. Wellington was sired by Handley's Paul Jones, he by Paul Jones by J. G. McCracken's Black Hawk, by David Hill or Vermont Black Hawk. Paul Jonedam by Candidate, he by Old Grog, dam by Comet the Fish or Eastman Horse of California, he by David Hill of Vermont Black Hawk, &c., &c.

T. W. CARTER,
3map23dw Hillside Farm.

The Thoroughbred Horse
BRYAN O'LYNN II,

Imported into British Columbia, December, 1877, from Ireland, will stand for the season up to July 20th, 1878, in Victoria.

CHARGES: $40 for the season. For further particulars apply to CAMERON BROS., P.O. Box 260, Victoria.

Pedigree of the Thoroughbred Horse Bryan O'Lynn II.

Bryan O'Lynn by Old Bryan O'Lynn, out of Piety, by Harkaway, out of Recluse, by Wanderer; Bryan O'Lynn, by Birdcatcher, out of Cleopatra, own sister to Pioneer, by Roller, Roller by Quiz, winner of the Great St. Ledger. Bryan O'Lynn I was sire of Good Friday and Morgan Rattler. Bryan O'Lynn's (II) dam was a thoroughbred mare by Tarcaway, gr. d. by Elves. Took 1st prize in New Ross, 1861, for best thoroughbred mare. From sire and dam he is of the best strain in Ireland, is rising five years old, about 15½ hands high, a beautiful dark bay, with black points, stands on short legs, with plenty of bone and muscle, and splendid action He is perfectly sound and free from vice. He was bred in the County Wexford, Ireland.

ap9dw CAMERON BROS.

BLACK HAWK MORGAN, JUNIOR

WAS BRED BY MR. BURY, OF CLARASville, County of Elgin, Ontario, foaled June 5th, 1869; is a beautiful black; stands 16 hands 3 in. high, and weighs 1260 lbs; was sired by the Davis Black Hawk Morgan, he by Lamphers Black Hawk, he by the old Vermont or Hillis Black Hawk, he by Sherman Morgan, and he by Justin Morgan. The Dam of the Davis Black Hawk Morgan was sired by Tonetrue and he by Sir Timothy, and he, by the celebrated Arabian Horse Old Bossorah. Sir Timothy's Dam was Lady Anglico, sired by Sir Archy, the father of Henry and son of Diomede. Dam of Tonetrue was sired by old Durock, the sire of American Eclipse, Grand Dam by imported Light Infantry, son of English Eclipse, great grand dam by imported Malton.

The above took first prize at Oregon State Fair when he was five years old against 14 competitors as roadster; four first prizes at Saanich each consecutive year; took three first prizes and 2 silver medals in Victoria as roadster and coach horse.

He will be located every Friday and Saturday at G. F. Tilbury's V. S. Board Stables, Yates street, above Blanchard.

$15 Single Leap; $25 for the Season.

For further particulars see card. ap7 2mdw

Thoroughbred Shorthorn BULL
"CONQUEROR."
RED—Calved February 14th, 1872.

BRED BY MESSRS. J. & W. WATT, Nichol Co., of Wellington. The property of W. Turgoose, Victoria, B. C.

Got by Oxford Prince [1925]: dam Nina by Duke Imperial ,5526, gr d Nalile by Reynolds ,6115, g gr d Genesee by Eclipse ,1501, Nightingale by Nigel ,1927½, Fanny Fern by Buena Vista ,1299½, Mary by Gold Eagle ,535, Alice Day by Prince Hal ,866, Martha by Daniel Boone (11336) etc.

This Bull has taken First or Second Prize wherever shown.

Numbers in brackets [] refer to Canada Herd Book. Number in commas ,, refer to American Herd Book. Numbers in parenthesis () refer to English Herd Book. The above is located at

MR. G. F. TILBURY'S,

Veterinary Surgeon, corner of Yates and Blanchard streets, from whom all particulars can be had.
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TROTTING STALLION "MC"
RECORD 2:39.
WILL MAKE THE SEASON OF 1878 at his owner's Farm,
OAK BAY,
One mile from the City Limits of Victoria,
At $25 FOR THE SEASON.

Should the Mare not prove with Foal she will be entitled to be served again next season without charge.

Mares will be cared for at $1 per week in good pasture. All accidents at owner's risk.

"Mc" was bred by the late John Duncan, of San Francisco, California, is dark bay in color, 15½ hands high, weight 1,100 pounds.

PEDIGREE;

"Mc" was foaled on the 16th May, 1867, sired by Sawyer's Colt, he by Stockbridge Chief, he by Vermont Black Hawk. Stockbridge Chief's dam by Sir Charles, he by Durdock Messenger, he by Imported Messenger, he by Membrino, his dam by Turf, granddam by Regulus, he by Stirling, he by Fox. Dam of the Sawyer's Colt was San Jose Damsel by Easton's David Hill, he by Vermont Black Hawk, her dam the dam of Dashaway, the celebrated two-mile horse. "Mc's" dam was by General Taylor, out of thorough mare imported to the State from Missouri by — Haskell, Esq. General Taylor by the famous Morse Horse, he by imported Norman (from France). Dam of Morse Horse by Ogden's Messenger, he by imported Messenger, his dam Katy Fisher by imported Highflier, grand-dam, dam of Jersey Eclipse.—Copied from Wallace's Trotting Register.

J. S. BOWKER, Oak Bay.
P. O. Box 230, Victoria, B. C. mh5dw

Tenders.

Sealed Tenders—Whole or Separate

ADDRESSED TO THE UNDERSIGNED and endorsed "Tender for Purchase of Land," will be received up to 4 p. m. on Tuesday the 14th day of May, 1878, for the purchase of the following Land:—

Lots 1268 and 1269 on the corner of Vancouver and Collinson streets.

Also—Lot 22, Subdivision of Lot No. 115, Section 91, containing five acres, more or less, on the old Esquimalt Road, in rear of the Bush Tavern.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

On behalf of the Trustees of the Victoria Fire Department Charitable Association.

ap11 W. G. REYNOLDS, Hon. Sec.

New Custom House Blanks
FOR SALE IN ANY QUANTITY
At the COLONIST OFFICE

New Advertisements.

To the Electors of Victoria Electoral District.

GENTLEMEN:—Having for the last four sessions had the honor of representing you in the Provincial legislature to the full satisfaction, I believe, of a large majority of the constituency, and as you are once more called on to make a choice, I have again been induced to offer myself as a candidate.

Elected in 1874, at a critical period of our history as a people, I have ever done my best, in and out of Parliament, to forward the interests of the Province generally, and in particular to promote whatever tended to benefit the District represented by me. In the District I have owned land for a quarter of a century; have lived on it with my family for nineteen years; and have succeeded in establishing a home amongst you. What further proof can be required, fellow-farmers, that my political and general interests are thoroughly identified with your own?

Publicly, at Cedar Hill and South Saanich, (see COLONIST, April 25th and 27th) I have spoken on the political issues of the day. I shall avail myself of every opportunity of so speaking at public meetings, and of so writing in the columns of THE COLONIST.

If re-elected I pledge myself early in the next session to move for an earnest and impressive appeal to the Dominion and Imperial Governments, urging such action at London as may result in proper restriction of Chinese immigration into this Province. The Mongolian affliction, as now felt by workingmen and farmers in and around Victoria, would be unendurable in an English town. Our fellow-countrymen in the Dominion and Great Britain must be asked, in considering this very difficult question, to suppose themselves in our places. Such a presentation of the matter may induce more speedy action, and a serious, persistent grappling with it, until a satisfactory solution is arrived at. Co-operation in dealing with the Chinese question between the United Kingdom and the United States is greatly to be desired.

As we should not now seek to borrow afresh, and as present taxation is sufficiently burdensome, it must be imperative on the Government to make the annual revenue fully cover the expenditure.

I am in favor of three Ministers (having portfolios) instead of four, believing that a Government's surest guarantee for prolonged tenure of power must be the confidence in its integrity and ability entertained by a large majority of the people inside and outside the House of Assembly. This confidence is, in my firm belief, deserved and enjoyed by the Ministry now in office.

I shall support any and every measure of retrenchment compatible with a due performance of the public service, and above all with retention of our fair repute as a law enforcing and law abiding people.

It would be a source of great satisfaction to many besides myself to witness such administration of Responsible Government in our midst as, while giving general satisfaction at home, would win for our country credit and respect abroad wherever the English tongue is spoken and our political ongoings at all noticed. This most desirable consummation cannot be reached without increase of representation and redistribution of seats, as I will have pleasure in explaining to you at public meetings if allowed a patient hearing. I am utterly opposed to Mr. Walkem's view as expressed in the House (7th and 8th of last March, see COLONIST and *Standard* of these dates) that about 12 members and a modified form of Crown Colony Government would be best for us. This would indeed be retrogression!! Fellow electors, I am not inclined to "give up the ship" yet, and sure I am that you are not. Mr. Humphreys' talk at North Saanich about "25 hungry rats being better than 33 hungry rats" pays a poor compliment to the intelligence and honesty of the people of this Province. Society could not hold together anywhere did not the well-intentioned, honest, sensible people vastly exceed in number and power the ruffians, rogues, knaves, fools and "designing demagogues." This is as true of savage as of civilized society, as forty years ago I had ample opportunity of observing. In every Indian village of this coast then the evil-disposed were greatly in the minority.

On the Railway I may say that I am in favor of the Carnarvon Terms, and shall have much to say when I get amongst you again on this subject.

With the unfortunate heritage of the Dry Dock bequeathed by the Walkem party to the Government that succeeded them, the Elliott Ministry have, as I think, acted with great discretion. In the House, if I remember aright, the Opposition did not "feel like" opposing the course submitted for discussion by the Government.

You may rely on me in the future, as in the past, as an earnest supporter of the Public School system as it is, and of its improvement, as far as our financial condition may permit. The calumnies as to my alleged opposition to the Victoria High School, so industriously circulated throughout the district, are false as false can be. Mr. R. Smith, ex-M.P.P. for Yale, had warning from me on the day he gave notice of his proposed School Bill that everything noxious in it would have my vigilant opposition, and so it had until the end.

Gentlemen, if in the foregoing I have omitted allusion to matters of public importance it has been from no desire to shirk them. I hope for many opportunities yet of communicating with you 'ere the 22d instant.

During the four years I have served you in the Legislature I have never yet been absent a day, nor have I once shirked a vote on any question.

In the House I have ever supported good measures whencesoever originating.

My increased knowledge and experience since 1874 encourage me the more to solicit your suffrages on this occasion.

my5dw WILLIAM FRASER TOLMIE.

Queen's Birthday.

A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMmittee for the celebration of the Queen's Birthday will be held at 8 a. m. on Tuesday, May 7th, at the Boomerang Hotel. Members of the Committee will be notified by postal card. my4

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HAS JUST RECEIVED A LARGE FASHionable and elegant assortment of
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H. MANSELL

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Well Selected Stock of
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Boots Made to Order. Repairing Neatly Done.
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Government Street, Victoria, opp. the Postoffice.
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To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

GENTLEMEN:—I again come before you as a candidate for your suffrages, not this time for Municipal honors, but for a seat in the Local Legislature. My past services as a member of the City Council for two years and my election to the honorable office of Mayor on three successive occasions, lead me to believe that my conduct in these offices received your approval, and emboldens me to ask for your suffrages to place me in a new position, in which I think I can be of still further service to the City of Victoria and the Province at large.

Many important questions will come before the next House for consideration, among which, I hope, some legislative action will be taken to protect our own people against being overwhelmed by the Chinese element. This, I hope, can be done by imposing a tax and making the captain of each ship responsible. This tax ought to be, in my judgment, something like our colonial neighbors of Queensland, Australia.

It is necessary, in my estimation, to press the Dominion Government to carry out the terms of Confederation, viz:—Speedy construction of the trans-continental Railway and Dry Dock at Esquimalt; the importance of which have evidently been ignored by the late Government.

Retrenchment in the expenditure of public money shall receive my earnest support, and I will contend against any expenditure of the general revenue over and above that authorized by vote of the House—as reduction of taxation is my aim, more particularly with respect to the dual system of taxation inaugurated by the Elliott Government in Municipalities.

I will support a measure to restore to the city rights unlawfully taken from it by the present Government—namely, the retention of the whole of the municipal revenue and the full control of the City Police, whose services are paid for solely by the ratepayers.

I am in favor of Redistribution of Seats without increasing the number of representatives.

A thorough re-organization of the Civil Service is necessary.

In the construction of public works I shall contend that the contract system shall be strictly adhered to.

Any measure for the reduction of the present outrageous fees exacted in our Law Courts shall receive my strongest support.

All measures to advance the interests of the city will be my uppermost thought, but not to the detriment of the adjoining Districts or the Province at large.

Should I have favorably impressed you with my views on the general topics of the day, and you return me as one of your representatives, I will not only use my efforts to carry them out, but will consult you on any important measure that may come up which might vitally affect your interests.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
my3 J. S. DRUMMOND.

Miss E. George,
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NOTICE.

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THOS FLETCHER,
ap27* Fort street, Agent for B. C.

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First trip by the steamer California, Friday, April 5th, 1878.

Packages and Letters left with Wells, Fargo & Co. will be forwarded.

Treasure shipped to Victoria and San Francisco.
ap5 J. JOHNSON.

New Advertisements.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

GENTLEMEN:—The Legislative Assembly having been dissolved, you will be called upon to elect four members for the City. I have reason to believe that the course pursued by some of the late members has not been satisfactory and that you desire to put other men in their places. As an old resident and large property-owner I offer my services as one of the candidates to represent you in the Legislative Assembly. Should you do me the honor to elect me I pledge myself to do all that can be done for the best interests of the City and the Province generally.

I am in favor of immediate Railway construction in accordance with the Carnarvon Settlement. I shall oppose any increase to the present number of representatives unless the people desire it.

I am in favor of the City having full and complete control of its own affairs.

I am against dual taxation or the imposition of taxes by the Local Government within the municipal limits.

The Chinese evil I consider one of the most important questions of the day, and any law to impose a heavy tax so as to limit their number and stop them coming here shall receive my hearty support.

A thorough re-organization and reduction in the cost of the Civil Service I believe to be an imperative necessity and will give this important matter my earnest attention.

Our Revenue and Expenditure I consider ought to be put on a more equitable and satisfactory basis.

Negotiations with the Imperial or the Dominion Governments regarding the Graving Dock should, I think, be entered upon at once, so as to ensure, if possible, the final completion of so important an undertaking.

I am, gentlemen, very faithfully yours,
ap25 J. W. WILLIAMS.

MESSRS. PHELPS, WADLEIGH AND CO.

DESIRE TO RETURN THANKS TO THEIR friends and patrons for the many kindnesses and favors received during the past three years.

A LOT OF
Choice Seed Oats,
Wagons, Horses,
Harness, Tools,
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Apply to G. N. REYNOLDS,
ap102p View St., one door west Driard House.
Or to W. Pollard, Solicitor, Langley St.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

GENTLEMEN:—The undisguised determination of the Opposition in the late Assembly to obstruct the transaction of public business rendered the dissolution of the House a necessity.

I have now, for the third time, the honor to offer myself as a candidate to represent you in the Legislature of this Province.

I am still of opinion that the best interests of the country will be served by an increased representation of the people, coupled with a redistribution of seats in the Legislature.

My views on the Railway and Dry Dock and on all other subjects of importance are so well known as to require no special mention in this communication.

Should you again elect me my best efforts shall be in the future, as they have been in the past, devoted to the promotion of the welfare of my constituents as well as of the Province at large.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
April 26. A. C. ELLIOTT.

$500 Reward.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT I WILL pay the above reward to any person or persons who shall deliver to me the original or certified copies of two certain letters addressed by Mr. George A. Walkem to the Striking Miners' Committee of Wellington, in the month of March, 1877, or one-half the above amount for the original or a certified copy of either of the said letters.

R. DUNSMUIR.
Victoria, B. C., April 22, 1878. ap23dw

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